UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE DIVISION

LE TALLEY-HO CONSTRUCTION CIVIL ACTION NO.: 6:15-cv-02420

COMPANY

VERSUS JUDGE: REBECCA F. DOHERTY

JOHN DEERE CONSTRUCTION & FORESTRY COMPANY, W. L. DOGGETT, LLC D/B/A DOGGETT MACHINERY SERVICES, LLC, GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE GROUP, ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC., BRENT ROMERO ANDABC INS. CO.

MAGISTRATE: CAROL B. WHITEHURST

ANSWER BY JOHN DEERE CONSTRUCTION & FORESTRY COMPANY TO CROSS CLAIM FOR DAMAGES OF W. L. DOGGETT, LLC d/b/a DOGGETT MACHINERY SERVICES, LLC

NOW INTO COURT through undersigned counsel comes JOHN DEERE CONSTRUCTION & FORESTRY COMPANY ["DEERE"] who for Answer to the Cross Claim for Damages of W. L. Doggett, LLC d/b/a Doggett Machinery Services, LLC ["DOGGETT"] avers as follows:

ANSWER

I.

The allegations of paragraph 1 of the Cross Claim for Damages are denied except to admit status.

DEERE is a Delaware Corporation with its principal business office in Moline, Illinois.

II.

The allegations of paragraph 2 of the Cross Claim for Damages are not directed to Deere, but out of an abundance of caution are denied for lack of sufficient information to justify a belief therein.

III.

The allegations of paragraph 3 of the Cross Claim for Damages are denied for lack of sufficient information to justify a belief therein.

IV.

The allegations of paragraph 4 of the Cross Claim for Damages call for conclusions of law for which no answer is required. However, out of an abundance of caution the allegations are denied for lack of sufficient information to justify a belief therein.

V.

The allegations of paragraph 5 of the Cross Claim for Damages are not directed to Deere. However, out of an abundance of caution, the allegations are denied for lack of sufficient information to justify a belief therein.

VI.

The allegations of paragraph 6 of the Cross Claim for Damages are denied.

VII.

The allegations of paragraph 7 of the Cross Claim for Damages call for conclusions of law for which no answer is required. However, out of an abundance of caution, the allegations are denied for lack of sufficient information to justify a belief therein.

VIII.

The allegations of paragraph 8 of the Cross Claim for Damages call for conclusions of law for which no answer is required. However, out of an abundance of caution, the allegations are denied for lack of sufficient information to justify a belief therein.

IX.

The allegations of paragraph 9 of the Cross Claim for Damages call for conclusions of law for which no answer is required. However, out of an abundance of caution, the allegations are denied for lack of sufficient information to justify a belief therein.

X.

Deere realleges, reavers and reiterates its Answer and Affirmative Defenses previously filed in the record of this matter as if copied herein <u>in extenso</u>.

XI.

RESERVATION

DEERE specifically reserves the right to file additional amended and/or supplemental Answers,
Third-Party Complaints, Counterclaims and/or Cross-Claims or Answers thereto, additional affirmative
defenses and/or other matters constituting avoidance such as the facts of this matter may later disclose and
require.

XII.

PRAYER

Wherefore, Premises Considered, DEERE respectfully requests that: W. L. Doggett, LLC d/b/a
Doggett Machinery Services, LLC, Plaintiff in Cross Claim. claims against John Deere Construction &
Forestry Company be dismissed with prejudice and at Doggett's cost and for such other and further relief at
either law or equity to which Deere may be justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted, COTTEN SCHMIDT & ABBOTT, L.L.P

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing pleading has been filed via the ECF-CM system and served on all known counsel of record this 3rd day of November, 2015.

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